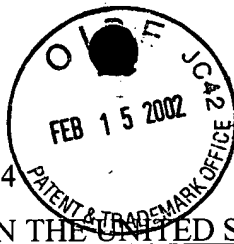


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX CPA
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2001, which was made final. Filed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, effectively extending the period of response from November 15, 2001 to February 15, 2002 and the appropriate fee. This Preliminary Amendment is also being filed concurrently with a Continued Prosecution Application under 1.53(d) and the appropriate filing fee. Also filed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO form 1449, and a copy of each listed reference. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and consideration of Applicant's response to the rejections in the outstanding Office Action.